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Commercial Vehicle Parking in Residential Neighborhoods

Legislative Business
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Purpose of Report

- 1) Review the City's current restriction on commercial vehicle parking in residential neighborhoods; and
- 2) Present the proposed amendment.



Review of Current Law

Commercial vehicle parking in residential districts is regulated by the Hayward Traffic Code (“HTC”).

Section 6.33 of the HTC is titled:

“Parking Prohibition -
Commercial Vehicles in Residence Districts”



Review of Current Law

HTC Section 6.33

- Defines “commercial vehicle” - a vehicle having a manufacturer’s gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or more.
- Prohibits a person from parking a commercial vehicle in a residential district.
- Excepts commercial vehicles making pickups or deliveries.



Community Concerns

- Small commercial vehicles - those that may weigh less than 10,000 pounds - are parking in residential neighborhoods.
- Create a visual obstruction and pose safety hazard;
- Limit available parking spaces; and
- Generate noise from engine startup and idling.



The Proposed Ordinance

- Defines “commercial vehicle” as:
 1. a vehicle having a manufacturer’s gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or more, or
 2. any vehicle with commercial license plates which is equipped with dual rear wheels.
- Prohibits a person from parking a commercial vehicle in a residential district.
- Excepts commercial vehicles making pickups or deliveries.



The Proposed Ordinance

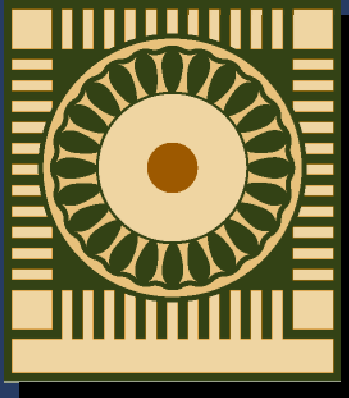
- A modest amendment:
 - The Change - Prohibits vehicles with commercial license plates equipped with dual rear wheels.
- The Effect - Allows for easier identification and removal of commercial vehicles that are in violation of the prohibition.



Outreach

- Community Meeting - City staff conducted a community meeting on August 23, 2011. Notice was provided to:
 - Tow operators;
 - Interested residents; and
 - The community at large.
- Approximately 10-15 community members attended.





Questions?

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